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As the activity and responsibility of the Church increases to meet the everwidening requirements of a growing complicated society, the demands upon the time and attention of the Bishop and his few immediate associates have increased beyond their capacity for adequate service.

The Episcopate, or office of the Bishop, is a permanent institution. It is directly responsible for the spiritual and administrative supervision of the numerous parishes, missions and welfare institutions within this Diocese. This covers an extremely large field, from the ecclesiastical and spiritual duties of the Bishop to the physical, detailed operation of the smallest mission.

In order, therefore, to function efficiently, three interrelated requisites are necessary: time, manpower and money.

Time, to enable the Bishop to devote his energies to his primary duty—that of being a "father in God" to the 270 clergy and 75,000 communicants in this Diocese.

Manpower, to assist the Bishop in the efficient, detailed operation of the Episcopate so that the physical as well as the spiritual well-being of the Diocese can be administered efficiently.

Money, in order that the Diocese have an independent Episcopate not chiefly dependent upon parish assessments for its financial maintenance as at present.

Form of Legacy

I give and bequeath to the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA the sum of.....

.....dollars, to be added to the principal of the Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate in said Diocese.

Form of Gift or Devise of Real Estate

I give and devise to the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA, its successors and assigns, to be added to the principal of the Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate in said Diocese, all that certain (here describe the property or ground rent intended to be given).

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OBJECT 1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time. 2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.

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The Romance of Evangelism

By the Rev. John Craig Roak
Rector of Gloria Dei Church

Dean Hodges, of Cambridge, used to say that the great days of the Church were the days of the missionaries, the monks, and the Methodists. So well did the missionaries do their work that they not only stayed the efforts of Nero, Domitian and Diocletian, but they also earned the admiration even of the secular historian Gibbon, who wrote his great work with the idea of discrediting Christianity. As one follows Ulfilas among the Goths, Patrick into Ireland, Columba into Scotland, Aidan into Britain, Ansgar into Scandinavia, Gallus and Columbus into Gaul, one feels as if the world were recovering its lost childhood.

When he spook of the monks, the Dean undoubtedly had in mind St. Francis of Assisi and those who gathered about him. To them, more than to any others, is due the new atmosphere that grew up in Europe in the 13th century. And who were these makers of the future? St. Francis was the son of a prosperous cloth merchant and was brought up to follow in his father's footsteps. Brother Angelo was a landowner, diQuintavalle, a member of the financial world of his city. These men came to the burning realization that one of the great needs of Europe was the renewal of the Church. Because they did as Christ would do, and as Christ would do it, they were rewarded with Christ's results.

In speaking of the Methodists, Dean Hodges had in mind the Reformation of that England of the latter part of the 18th century, at the hands of the Evangelicals both inside and outside the Church. The revival had come like a breath of the Spirit of God into a hopeless and fainting world. It came with-

out organization and almost without expectation. Society in its general habits had sadly declined from the standard of earlier days, and in its effort to get away from the narrow austerities of Puritanism, had become libertine in both thought and morals. Those clergy who took their duties seriously preached a kind of high morality devoid of power or grace; but the many more negligent and careless left the charge of their flocks to curates or to chance. While it is to John Wesley that the movement owes its more lasting power, Wesley never became a man of destiny until he surrounded himself with the zealous men of the class meetings.

In the Church the movement was fortunate in its early leaders. There were no men of outstanding genius such as Newman; but there were saints in plenty, notable men, not for their originality or depth of thought, but for strength and variety of character. One and all were marked by a high spirit of purity and devotion, by vigour and zeal, and by intense desire for the salvation of their fellow-men. The historian Lecky has pointed out that if it had not been for the Evangelical Revival at the hands of such men as Wesley, Whitfield, Newton, the Venns, Charles Simpson, and the godley men of the Clapham Sect, there would have been the same overturn in England that there was in France. Thanks to the Evangelical Revival, people in high places and low began to feel the need of mending their ways, and there followed reformation instead of revolution.

In an effort to call the people of our day back to righteousness and godliness, the Church has launched an appeal through our Presiding Bishop to Evan-

gelism. If every parish in the land were to rise to this appeal with the feeling that God wills it, a new chapter would be written in the glorious history of Christendom. Such a movement must commence in the parish with its sense of fellowship in the "beloved community." The parish must become the armory where every member may be equipped for the fray. We have the pulpit and the altar. John Wesley said "Build a fire in the pulpit and the people will come to watch it burn." And then at the altar we find the sacrament of love, where our hearts are lit with zeal to participate in the distribution of the evangel.

Still, any reviving of the Church must begin in *me*. It is almost beyond belief to understand what God has been able to accomplish through the efforts of imperfect individuals. He has used the weak, the ignorant, the incompetent. But no man, knowing that his heart is evil, and persisting in his evil ways, can hope for the blessing of God upon his efforts, until he is willing to do something on his own behalf about that evil.

During this year of Evangelism then, let every Churchman ask himself certain very personal questions: Have I any personal habits which are embarrassing to my Lord? Do any of my prejudices interfere with the accomplishment of the will of God upon earth? Do I indulge any appetites which may reflect discreditably upon Christ, whom I have named as my Master? Is there any area of my life over which Christ does not yet hold absolute sway?

Any Churchmen who will rise to these responsibilities will find themselves equipped for the supreme task of

leading others into the presence of God. Having met God's simple but exact requirements, they find that they have restored their souls, and are prepared to lay siege to the souls of others. Remember the title of the Presiding Bishop's Lenten Book: "Revive Thy Church Beginning With Me."

ST. MARK'S CHURCH IS 100 YEARS OLD

As an outgrowth of the Tractarian Movement in England, accenting the Catholic side of the Prayer Book, St. Mark's Church was founded. The vestry met and incorporated June 28, 1847, and the first service was held in 1848. In commemoration of this anniversary a number of events have been planned, including the following: April 20, 4 to 7 p. m., Neighborhood reception and tea; April 21, 8 p. m., lecture on stained glass by Mr. Joseph Reynolds; April 23, 8 p. m., lecture on church architecture; April 25, 11 a. m., Choral Eucharist and Confirmation by Bishop Hart; 4 p. m., Choral Evensong, with clergy of Convocation of South Philadelphia participating; April 26, 8 p. m., organ recital by Mr. Willoughby in memory of past organists, April 29, 8 p. m., hymn sing led by the Rev. Frank Damroch; April 30, 8 p. m., talk on vestments by the Rev. Francis W. Voelcker, May 2, 10 a. m., Radio Station Broadcast (WCAU); 4 p. m., parochial service with St. Michael's Chapel, Yeadon, and St. Mary's Chapel.

Mr. George Wharton Pepper, who has been a member of the parish more than 50 years, and a Vestryman since 1892, is chairman of the Centennial Celebration Committee. Other members of this committee are Mr. Claude Gilkyson, Mr. J. Kennard Skilling, Mr. N. Crenshaw McElroy, Dr. Burton Chance, Mr. John Hihn, Jr., Dr. John Hand, Mr. Albert Christie.

SUMMER JOBS FOR STUDENTS

The Committee on Personnel of the National Council has prepared a bulletin listing Summer Service Opportunities for college students. The opportunities include work in rural missions, settlements, work camps, vacation schools, industrial projects. They are offered in fourteen dioceses in the United States, and in Canada. Information is supplied also about volunteer service projects with the American Friends Service Committee, Lisle Fellowship, etc. Bulletin is free on request to the Committee on Personnel, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

TEMPORARY CHURCH IN HISTORIC HOUSE

The Vestry of St. James, Philadelphia, has purchased the historic dwelling pictured here for conversion into a temporary house of worship and the site for a new St. James. It is situated at the northwest corner of Concord Pike and Dutton Mill Road, Aston Township, Delaware County, on the edge of the rapidly growing development of "Green Ridge," now without any church to serve it. In this house, Lord Cornwallis spent the night before the Battle of the Brandywine.



St. James Church, Green Ridge

The building is now undergoing alteration and repairs under the direction of Dean Shreiner of the Convocation of Chester, acting for St. James' Vestry. It is planned to hold the first service here on Easter Sunday. The Rev. John Marshall Frye, Jr., is vicar-in-charge in connection with his work as vicar of St. John's, Concord.

The view shows the front on Dutton Mill Road and the end toward the Concord Pike. The two rooms along the Pike have been made into one to be used as the chapel. The window has been removed from the Road end, preparatory to being bricked up as one door has been, for the chancel end. Entrance to the nave will be through a porch and hall, the present rear entrance, where the only roadway at grade leads in from Concord Pike. To the east, on this floor is a large dining room to be used for parish house activities and the kitchen. The vicar will have a light sunny apartment of four rooms and a bath on the second floor and there are two additional low ceilinged rooms on the third floor.

The property commands a fine view across the valley toward Chester and the Delaware and has five acres of ground on which a sizeable church can be built without disturbing this temporary chapel.

VOICE TRAINING AND CHANTING

The Commission on Music of the Diocese recently conducted five institutes for clergy, choirmasters, organists, choiristers, and other persons interested in church choir methods in various sections of the Diocese, including St. Mark's Church, Frankford; St. Luke's Church, Germantown; All Saints' Church, 11th and Snyder Avenue; Church of the Saviour, West Philadelphia; St. John's Church, Lansdowne. Two evenings were devoted to the institutes at each of these centers. The speaker on the first evening was Mr. William Reese, head of the music department of Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa. Mr. Harold Gilbert, organist and choirmaster of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia was the leader on the second evening.

Notwithstanding the prevailing bad weather, the total attendance exceeded 300, and the questions asked at the conclusion of the addresses evidenced a lively interest. The Commission will be glad to receive suggestions for topics to be the subject of future institutes.

The subject of Mr. Reese was "Voice Training for Groups." Some of the points which he elaborated were correction of abuses, cultivation of tone qualities, breathing, stance, pitch, dramatic interpretation, diction, use of vocalization. After an hour of discussion, another hour was spent by those present in singing under the direction of the speaker, who thus demonstrated many of the methods which he advocated.

Mr. Gilbert traced the method of singing the Anglican chant from the well known and widespread "cathedral pointing,"—with its rigid time values in the music and consequent distorted word emphasis—to the present-day "speech rhythm" chanting, where the time values of the music become completely flexible in order to allow the prose text to be delivered at the speed and with the emphasis of eloquent speech. The group then was led in singing several new and old chants in "speech rhythm."

Two Radio Broadcasts for Children and Parents

The "Greatest Story Ever Told," a series of half-hour broadcasts Sunday Evenings, 6:30 p.m. over station WFIL.

"All Aboard for Adventure"—a series of fascinating 15 minute adventure programs about the Bible—sponsored by the Philadelphia Council of Churches over station WFIL, beginning Saturday, March 13th, 10:45 a.m..

THE DIOCESAN LIBRARY

For use by all clergy and laity of the Diocese.

NEW BOOKS ON SHELVES DURING THIS MONTH:

"Creation Continues" — Dr. Fritz Kunkle; "Psychosomatic Medicine" — Dr. Flanders Dunbar; "Prayer" — Alexis Carrel.

BOOKS ON ORDER:

"Rise of Christianity" — Barnes; "Whom They Peirced" — Stockwood; "The Challenge of the New Testament Ethics" — L. H. Marshall; "The Elements of Moral Theology" — R. E. Mortimer; "Christian Morals" — Lindsay Dewar and Cyril Hudson.

OTHER SUGGESTED READING ON THE SHELVES:

"The Religious Principles of Israel" — I. J. Matthews; "The Apostolic Ministry" — K. E. Kirk; "A Study of History" (in one vol.) — Arnold J. Toynbee; "The Top of the Mount" — V. C. Franks; "Human Destiny" — Lecomtedu Noy; "Tomorrow is Here" — K. S. Latourette.

164th Diocesan Convention

The Convention will open in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets on Monday, May 3rd, at 5 P.M. The Evening Service, the time when the Bishops read their annual addresses, will be held at 8 o'clock. The rectors are requested to invite members of their congregation to this Service.

By action of the Convention in May, 1947, the Committee on Arrangements was instructed to omit the supper for Monday but to prepare the luncheon for 1 P.M. on Tuesday. The plan of the Committee is to have this luncheon served in the Parish House of Holy Trinity Memorial Chapel, 22nd and Spruce Streets.

Deputies should consider that they represent their congregations and considering this trust be faithful in attendance. The deputies should report back to their vestries on all action taken at Convention.

This coming Convention will have important matters to discuss: — (1) Committee of Six in re Episcopal Hospital. (2) Committee of Strategy on a new division of Convocational Lines. (3) The Missionary Budget for 1949 is to be considered by the Convention as a whole. A Convention can pass resolutions but if an expenditure of money is involved the Convention should provide the funds. The National Council is ask-

ing an increase from Pennsylvania for 1949. The whole budget depends on the willingness of Rectors and Vestries to accept the Assigned Share or more.

Nominations to offices to be filled by the Convention are to be made on the

Preliminary Ballot mailed to the rector for the use of the deputies. Nominations may be made also from the floor of Convention, Monday Afternoon, May 3rd.

Charles H. Long, *Secretary*.

Bishop Hart's Message

"The vestry is in wholehearted sympathy with your desire to educate the wardens of the churches in this diocese on matters pertaining to the diocesan budget. The vestry, therefore, hopes that it will be possible for you to call another meeting, such as the one held on January 26th, at which a more thorough discussion of items appearing in the diocesan budget can be held. It is the belief of the vestry that the diocese

will be greatly strengthened and will be better able to carry on its work when the laity are more fully informed on and actually participate in the forming of our diocesan budget."

Where the vestries have a real part in the forming of the Diocesan budget, they take an intelligent interest in seeing that the diocesan program is carried out. The rector does not have to stand alone in an effort to have the parish do its full share. The vestry stands with him and gives fine leadership to the parish. Furthermore, if there should be a change in rectorships, the congregation's attitude would not change overnight. Where the vestry does not have an intelligent conception of the Diocesan and General Church programs, and are totally dependent on the leadership of the rector, the congregation is in danger of losing their missionary zeal if they are so unfortunate as to get a rector who is not missionary minded.

It will take time to work out the best method; but I feel that the Field Department has made a step in the right direction. Our coming Diocesan Convention shall have to adopt a 1948 budget (four months already having passed!) and a tentative 1949 budget. Obviously the Executive Council will have to have power to make necessary adjustments; but delegates should have the right to question any item in the budget. A convention can indicate pretty definitely what it wants the diocese to do.

I have only the highest praise for the fine missionary spirit of most of our parishes. I want not only their financial support; but their judgment as to the value of what the diocese is doing, and how it is doing it. A better understanding will mean the elimination of ineffective work and more constructive effort where it is most needed.

Oliver Hart



CHURCH FOUNDATION COSTS

The following excerpts are reprinted from a letter recently written by Mr. E. Osborne Coates, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Church Foundation:

Regarding the letter from an Accounting Warden stating that he would like to place funds with the Church Foundation but our costs are too high, this is a misconception on his part. It is common practice for banks to base their charges on the principal involved rather than income. For example, the following charges are in force by one of our leading banking institutions in their Common Trust Fund:

\$5.00 per annum from \$1,000. of principal up to \$20,000.

\$2.00 per annum per \$1,000. of principal over \$20,000.

The minimum charge for any fund is \$50.00 per year with a limit of \$50,000. which may be placed in their Common Trust Fund by any one fund. For additional amounts the charges are higher on account of separate handling.

This means that for any fund up to \$10,000. the bank's service charges would be \$50.00 a year. Compare this with the Church Foundation's Consolidated Investments Fund. A \$10,000. fund we will assume has an income of \$400.00. Our administration charge at 6% would be \$24.00 per year. Exactly 68% of our funds are \$10,000. or under. However, about 50% of our funds are only \$5,000. or under. For a \$5,000. fund the service charges, on the same basis as the above, would be \$12.00 per year. We have no minimum. There is no banking institution that would service small funds for anything like the charges of the Church Foundation.

Comparing our Consolidated Investments Fund with the Common Trust Fund in the Diocese of Massachusetts, I think I can say truthfully that our fund is just as sound, just as well managed and has every advantage of this fund, although their charges may be slightly lower due to the much larger size of their fund. Of course, we are Trustees and they are Agents so that any fund can be withdrawn at will in their case. Under the provisions of our new Revocable Trust Agreement, funds placed with us can also be withdrawn but only with the approval of the Standing Committee. Personally, I think this is a safeguard and an advantage.

The Gate at the End of the Road

By the Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, S.T.D.
Suffragan Bishop of Pennsylvania

Easter always comes as a tremendous challenge to our thinking and our way of life. It dawns this year with a new note of expectancy. For many people, there has always been a closed gate at the end of the road. "Pluck the flowers, enjoy the pleasures, accumulate enough to pass on to your family, secure your old age, and don't think about that gate until you come to it." This is the way most people face any thought of a future life. The supreme question, "If a man dies, shall he live again?" is still unanswered in the minds of the people of our day. The empty tomb and the voice of an angel, "He is not here; He is risen as He said," is the only satisfactory answer.



It takes a long time for human intelligence to understand many things and of course it requires an entire change of mental attitude to grasp the significance of Easter and its effect on everyday living. Eternal life begins with spiritual awareness. No amount of reasoning can convince me of the survival of a human soul. Only a recognition of spiritual values in myself and in others makes possible the existence of another world. I must "be born again" if I am to see and experience the reality of Jesus' Resurrection. However, as great a biologist as Vernon Kellogg has given us this statement about human survival from a scientist's point of view:

"Death may possibly be not only that normal incident in human life which we recognize it to be, but may be simply one, the last one we now know, of a series of profound evolutionary changes

in an organism which has a continuing career of which we know now only the earlier stages.

"Death may not be the end, but simply another change in human life, greater and more radical, but perhaps no less possible, than the change from the single egg cell to myriad-celled and utterly different. Death may be but the change from one condition of humanness to another."

The faith in the Resurrected Body of our Lord requires in us a belief in the supernatural. How the change could be immediately effective from a natural to a spiritual body we may not be able to explain. What happened to Jesus immediately, we hope may happen to us when mortal flesh puts on the robe of immortality.

Man has come to a dead end in his efforts to achieve any satisfactory sort of life on the level of materialism. Matter in itself has been discovered to be a combination of forces which in themselves can be either creative or destructive. There is always a pull toward the lower, or animal, nature. If man is to continue to live as man, the higher calls must be heeded. What makes man what he is is his sense of emergent possibilities. Moral behaviour, and even international agreements, must be determined by a faith in man's destiny as a Child of God. Man can no longer live by what he has made of himself but only by what God expects him to be.

The hope of Easter is more than man's assurance of immortality. It is the basis and standard for his everyday living.

May this Easter bring to every one of us a new sense of a risen and victorious Christ, a Life in which we can participate as we live in the Light of the Empty Tomb. Otherwise, we face a closed gate at the end of the road.

CARD PARTY at

CHRIST CHURCH HOSPITAL
49th St. and Monument Road
Thursday Afternoon
MAY 27th

Come and bring your friends and see this historic Church Institution in its lovely setting. Further details through Auxiliary Office.

Woman's Auxiliary

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, Editor

President's Message

The melting snow and ice of March revealed myriads of tiny green shoots pushing their way upward towards the sun. The daffodils are on their way! Spring is here and with it the Queen of Festivals.

"Easter dawns!

Christ rises!

What is left for us save growth

Of soul to rise up."

The Flying Squadron, we hear, is tuning up for Spring flights. Consult the Woman's Auxiliary Office for appointments or make "bookings" directly with the "pilot," Mrs. Edward Ingersoll.

Soon comes Monday, May 24th and our Annual Meeting. Read the plans elsewhere on this page. They will be successful only if every woman of the Diocese feels it to be her responsibility, by her support, to make them so. We are happy to know that there will be room for everyone who is interested, to attend the whole program. We invite especially the clergy to avail themselves of this opportunity to learn what the women of Pennsylvania have accomplished during this year past and their hopes for next year. The program is built around four emphases—the Parish, the Diocese, Interdenominational Co-operation and the Challenge of the immediate future.

Cooperative Shop

May we remind you that articles sold through the Cooperative Shop, 1735 Sansom Street should be designated "Founders Committee" if you wish the Commission to go to Bishop Hart's Discretionary Fund. Haven't you some treasures that ought to be passed on? The Shop will find a new home for them. We started this cooperative project; they tell us that lately we are falling down on supporting it.

U. T. O. Presentation Service

The Spring Presentation Service of the United Thank Offering will be held on Thursday, May 13th, at 10.30 a.m. in the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, to which the Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger D.D. has extended a warm and enthusiastic welcome. This will be a service of Holy Communion and Bishop Hart will be the celebrant, assisted by Bishop Remington. The preacher will be the Rt. Rev. John B. Bentley, D.D. who recently resigned as Bishop of Alaska to become vice president of the National Council and Director of the Overseas Department.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held on May 24th.

The afternoon session will be at St. Stephen's Church, 10th St. south of Market from 5:00 to 6:30 P.M. The program will be a "Symposium on Parish Branches," business meeting, election and installation of officers, Evening Prayer.

Dinner and evening session will be at Kugler's Restaurant, Juniper and Chestnut Streets at 7:00 P.M. The speakers will be:

Mrs. U. Grant Beath, our President.

Mrs. William Heydrick, Chairman of the Woman's Department, Philadelphia Council of Churches.

Mrs. William Taliaferro, Provincial Representative to the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council.

Dinner will be \$2.25. Reservations must be made before May 19th, at the Auxiliary office.

The clergy are urged to attend.

Every woman in the diocese should be present at this meeting.

World Evangelism begins with yourself.

JUNE RETREAT FOR WOMEN OF THE DIOCESE

May 31st to Wednesday, June 2nd, at St. Margaret's House. Conductor, the Rev. Frank Damrosch, Jr.

Summer Conferences

Now that Spring is here, we come to the happy thought of Summer Conferences!

It is none too early to make plans to attend one or the other of those provided for us in this area. If we are unable to go ourselves, let us make it our business to see that our parishes are well represented. Let us begin now to build up parish scholarship funds to enable some of our ablest women (of college age and beyond) to profit by the treats that are in store for them. It will mean a distinct re-vitalizing of our parish life and organizations. We all need the inspiration and new ideas which a summer conference offers, and now, more than ever, Christians must be alert and equipped for stronger witnessing in a world in crisis. New friends, new methods, new vision can all be acquired, as well as a fresh understanding of the teachings of the Church.

The two Conferences of special interest to us of the Auxiliary are:—The Woman's Auxiliary Conference at Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Virginia, and the Conference of the Province of Washington which, while still searching for a place where it can be inter-racial, will meet again this year at Sweet Briar College, Virginia, June 14th-25th. The Shrine Mont Conference will meet for one week only, and concentrate exclusively upon the work of the Woman's Auxiliary. The Conference at Sweet Briar will give the larger view of the thinking and program of the whole Church, including two units especially planned for Auxiliary leaders. One unit, on the Devotional Program, will occupy the first week, the other, on the Study Programs for 1948-1949, the second week. An exciting new feature at Sweet Briar this year is a Laymen's Week-end, beginning Friday, June 18th, for vestrymen, husbands and other interested Churchmen.

All who are interested in joining the delegations from this diocese, who want programs and further information, apply to the Auxiliary Office, 202 South 19th Street.

THE RIGHT REV. ANGUS DUN

Bishop of the Diocese of Washington, D. C.

will speak at the

Annual Meeting and Dinner of the

Philadelphia Council of Churches

Tuesday, April 4, 1948
6:30 P. M.

Town Hall, Broad & Race Sts.

COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The chairman of the Diocesan Commission recently met with Bishop Powell, in Baltimore, to discuss the part that Pennsylvania can take in the general plan for Evangelism in the Third Province. Later, the members of the Commission met with Bishop Remington—as a result of a frank exchange of opinion certain suggestions will soon be issued for the use of the clergy. While in Baltimore the chairman addressed the Woman's Auxiliary of The Church of St. Michael and All Angels on the subject of "Personal Evangelism."

FEATURING JUNIOR CHOIRS

On Sunday, May 2, at 4 p. m., there will be a special service with combined Junior choirs from many parishes under the auspices of the Diocesan Commission on Music at the Church of the Advocate, 18th & Diamond Streets. Bishop Remington will be the preacher.

Report on Convocations

The 1946 Diocesan Convention requested that the Bishop's Board of Strategy study and re-evaluate the presently existing bounds of the Convocations. This Board consists of the Rev. Messrs J. M. Niblo, N. H. Caley, Arthur Murray, Thomas Parker, John H. A. Bomberger, Charles W. Shreiner, Charles H. Long, Charles E. Tuke, Mrs. U. G. Beath, Messrs Freas B. Snyder, Federico F. Mauck, Ronald J. McCarthy, Edward B. Clay, Isaac E. Leech. The following report will be presented to the next Convention in May:

"The resolution was based upon a desire of certain of the clergy in the North East section of Philadelphia to have a separate Convocation in that part of the city. The Board of Strategy feels that such a recommendation has of itself some merit, but consideration of such a change must form part of a study of the Diocese as a whole, and would necessitate the changing of all present Convocational boundaries.

"The Board has given considerable time and thought to a study of this matter, and reports that in its judgement no real advantage and no beneficial results to the Diocese as a whole would be obtained by any change in the present bounds of the six Convocations, but that considerable opposition would be forthcoming from many quarters to any realignment. However, the Board presents for your consideration (but without recommendation) the following changes in boundary lines as perhaps the best which was submitted to it as an alternative to the existing bounds. The Board asks to be relieved of any further consideration of the matter."

NORTH EAST CONVOCATION

City of Philadelphia—north of Girard Avenue—east of 5th Street—and the Churches in Cheltenham and Rockledge in Montgomery County and those in Andalusia, Eddington and Bristol in Bucks County; these being in line of direct population trend from the northeast part of the City. Contains 34 Parishes and Missions.

All Saints, Crescentville
All Saints, Torresdale
Ascension, Rhawnhurst
Christ Church, Eddington
Christ Church, Franklinville
Emmanuel, Holmesburg
Emmanuel, Kensington
Good Shepherd, Kensington
Grace and The Incarnation

Holy Innocents, Tacony
Holy Nativity, Rockledge
Holy Redeemer (Polish), Messiah
Redeemer, Andalusia
Resurrection, Mayfair
St. Aidan, Cheltenham
St. Alban, Olney
St. Ambrose
St. Andrew, Somerton
St. Barnabas, Kensington

St. Bartholomew, Wissinoming
St. Gabriel
St. George, Richmond
St. James, Bristol
St. John Free
St. John, Northern Liberties
St. Luke, Bustleton

St. Luke, Kensington
St. Mark, Frankford
St. Mary of the Annunciation
St. Nathanael
St. Paul, Aramingo
St. Stephen, Bridesburg
Trinity, Oxford

SOUTH WEST CONVOCATION

City of Philadelphia—west of 52nd Street and Churches in Delaware County in line of direct population trend from west and southwest Philadelphia. Contains 32 Parishes and Missions.

All Saints, Darby
Atonement, Morton
Christ Church, Ridley Park
Epiphany, Sherwood
Holy Comforter, Arononink
Holy Sacrament, Highland Park
Incarnation, Drexel Hill
Redeemer, Springfield
Redemption, West Philadelphia
St. Barnabas, Haddington
St. Cyprian, Elmwood
St. George, West Philadelphia
St. Giles, Stonehurst
St. James, Hestonville
St. James, Kingessing

St. James, Prosest Park
St. John, Essington
St. John, Lansdowne
St. Luke, Chester
St. Luke, Eddystone
St. Martin, Lynwood
St. Martin, Marcus Hook
St. Mary, Chester
St. Michael, Yeadon
St. Paul, Chester
St. Paul, Overbrook
St. Stephen, Clifton Heights
St. Stephen, Norwood
St. Thomas, West Philadelphia
St. Titus, Elmwood
Trinity, Collingdale
Trinity, Swarthmore

CENTRAL CONVOCATION

City of Philadelphia—west of 5th Street—north of Allegheny Avenue, and Churches in West Manayunk, Bala, Cynwyd, Gladwyn, Jenkintown, Wyncote, Elkins Park and Glenside—all being contiguous to this section of Philadelphia. Contains 30 Parishes and Missions.

All Hallows, Wyncote
All Souls
Calvary, Germantown
Epiphany, Germantown
God Shepherd, Germantown
Grace Church, Mt. Airy
House of Prayer, Branchtown
Nativity Chapel, Germantown
Our Saviour, Jenkintown
Resurrection, Philadelphia
St. Alban, Roxborough
St. Andrew, West Manayunk
St. Asaph, Bala
St. Barnabas, Germantown

Christ Church and St. Michael
St. David, Manayunk
St. James the Less
St. John the Baptist, Germantown
St. John, Cynwyd
St. Joseph, Gladwyn
St. Luke, Germantown
St. Martin, Oak Lane
St. Martin-in-the-fields, C. H.
St. Matthias, West Oak Lane
St. Paul, Chestnut Hill
St. Paul, Elkins Park
St. Peter, Germantown
St. Stephen, Wissahickon
St. Timothy, Roxborough
Zion, Philadelphia

SOUTHERN CONVOCATION

City of Philadelphia—west of 5th Street, south of Allegheny Avenue—east of 5th Street, south of Girard Avenue—east of 52nd Street in West Philadelphia. Contains 41 Parishes and Missions.

Advent (Polish), Advocate
All Saints, Moyamensing
Annunciation, Philadelphia
Atonement, Philadelphia
Calvary, Northern Liberties
Christ Church, Philadelphia
Covenant
Crucifixion

Gloria Dei
Holy Communion
Holy Spirit
Holy Trinity, Philadelphia
Holy Trinity Chapel
Prince of Peace
St. Andrew, West Philadelphia
St. Andrew (P. D. S.), Philadelphia
St. Augustine

St. Bartholomew, Philadelphia
St. Christopher
St. Clement
St. Elisabeth
St. John Chrysostom
St. John Evangelist
St. Jude and the Nativity
St. Luke and the Epiphany
St. Mark, Philadelphia
St. Mary, Hamilton Village
St. Mary's Chapel
St. Matthew

St. Monica
St. Paul, North Penn
St. Paul, Memorial
St. Peter, Philadelphia
St. Philip (Phillips) Brooks
St. Sauveur
St. Simon Cyrenian
St. Stephen, Philadelphia
The Saviour
Transfiguration
St. Simeon
Holy Apostles and the Mediator

NORTH CONVOCATION

Montgomery and Bucks Counties, except those included in the North East Convocation. This, like the West Convocation, is largely rural. Contains 32 Parishes and Missions

Advent, Hathoro
All Saints, Fallsington
All Saints, Norristown
Calvary, Conshohocken
Christ Church, Pottstown
Christ Church, Upper Merion
Emmanuel, Quakertown
Epiphany, Royersford
Grace Church, Hulmeville
Holy Trinity, Lansdale
Huntingdon Valley Chapel
Incarnation, Morrisville
Messiah, Gwynedd
St. Andrew, Yardley
St. Anne, Willow Grove

St. Augustine, Norristown
St. James, Langhorne
St. James, Perkiomen
St. John, Norristown
St. Luke, Newtown
St. Paul, Doylestown
St. Paul, Edgely
St. Paul, Oaks
St. Peter, Phoenixville
St. Peter, Weldon
St. Philip, New Hope
St. Philip-in-the-Fields, Oreland
St. Thomas, Whittemarsh
Trinity, Ambler
Trinity, Buckingham
Trinity, Solebury
Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge

WEST CONVOCATION

Delaware and Chester Counties except those included in the South West Convocation. This, like the North Convocation, is largely rural. Contains 29 Parishes and Missions.

Advent, Kennett Square
All Saints, Wynnewood
Ascension, West Chester
Calvary, Rockdale
Christ Church, Media
Good Samaritan, Paoli
God Shepherd, Rosemont
Holy Trinity, West Chester
Redeemer, Bryn Mawr
St. Alban, Newtown Square
St. Cyril, Coatesville
St. David, Radnor
St. Faith, Brookline

St. George, Ardmore
St. James, Downingtown
St. John, Concord
St. John, Keltom
St. John, Compass
St. Mark, Honey Brook
St. Martin, Ithan
St. Martin, Radnor
St. Mary, Ardmore
St. Mary, Warwick
St. Mary, Wayne
St. Paul, West Whiteland
St. Peter, Broomall
St. Peter, Great Valley
Trinity, Coatesville

ORDINATIONS

In the Bishop's Chapel at the Church House on January 24th, Bishop Hart advanced two men to the Priesthood. The Rev. John Marshall Frye was presented by the Rev. Chauncey E. Snowden. Mr. Frye continues to be vicar of St. John's Church, Concord, and will also be in charge of St. James Church, Green Ridge, when it is opened for services. The Rev. Edwin Percival Ferguson, presented by the Rev. E. Elliott Durant, to be in charge of St. Philip's Church, Muskogee, Oklahoma. He has been transferred to that diocese.

Department of Christian Education

Evangelism— Through Vacation School

The Committee on Vacation Church Schools has started to make plans for the schools which will be held this summer. The committee feels very strongly that there is a great need for the Vacation Church School in our diocese, and it hopes that more churches will have such schools this summer. Last year, twenty-eight churches out of a total of two hundred and four parishes and missions reported having had Vacation Church Schools. If your church has not had a school in previous years, now is the time to give thoughtful consideration to the reasons why every church should plan for such a program.

Foremost to be considered will be the number of additional valuable hours for training the members and leaders of the Church of tomorrow. The Vacation Church School offers from two to three hours each day for a period of two to six weeks for daily, intensive emphasis upon the important themes of the Christian life. Compare that with the weekly church school held each Sunday for the nine months beginning in September and ending in June. With a full thirty minutes of class instruction, and with every pupil present every Sunday during those nine months, each pupil receives twenty hours of instruction a year. Is that enough time to devote to the teaching of the Church's faith and practice?

Every rector feels the need to supplement and enrich the instruction he gives in confirmation classes. Here is a splendid opportunity. The Vacation Church School offers a wider field for teaching and living the Christian Life. The boys and girls learn, work, play, and live together as they do in public and private schools. Boys and girls, with few exceptions, like to go to school. They will also be eager to go to the Vacation Church School.

A host of boys and girls who do not go away on vacation, or who go for a very short time, will have a place to go and something to do. The story is told of one rector who thought he could not have a Vacation Church School because all of the boys and girls went away for the summer. He took a census to find out the actual condition, and was surprised to learn that between twenty-five and fifty percent of his Church School membership would be at home during the period the school would be held. Such a percentage plus

the number recruited from the community gave him all he needed for a good school.

One of the richest fields for evangelism which almost any church possesses will be right at her own door. The theme for this year is "The Church and Evangelism." The outstanding project will be giving to Church World Service. Give the boys and girls a chance, and they will lead their fathers and mothers to the ringing of doorbells, to the telling of the story, and to the offering of their gifts.

Space is limited and this article must end. The committee will be glad to answer questions and offer suggestions about the Vacation Church School.

Presentation of Lenten Offering

The Rev. Nathanael B. Groton, D.D., rector of St. Thomas' Church, White-marsh, will be the speaker at the service of Presentation of the Lenten Offering on Sunday, May 23rd, 4:00 p.m. at Episcopal Academy. Dr. Groton was to have been the speaker last year but, as you no doubt remember, the rain necessitated a quick dismissal, so we have had to wait a full year to learn why—the "kite"!

Full details concerning choirs, hymns, etc., will be sent to all rectors early in April. Last year, 185 Church Schools out of a possible 190 participated in the Lenten Offering—this year with a much longer period between Easter and the Presentation Service, it is hoped that our record will be perfect.

Haverford College Site of Summer Conference July 5-10

The lovely campus of Haverford College will be the scene of the diocesan Youth Conference this summer. The Rev. Aaron Manderbach will again be the dean. The program will not be in the mail until early May, but if you have not already started to make plans to see that your parish youth are well represented—now is the time to begin.

The need for a diocesan Conference Center was again borne home on us when we were once more compelled to seek another place to hold our summer conference. Not many places are suitable for a conference the size of ours and none are really adequate to meet our needs. Also, the need for an adult Summer Conference is very apparent,—but this we feel will, of necessity, have to await the securing of our own center.

To Know
The Christ



To Make
Him Known

Corporate Communion of Youth

"And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies . . ." In this spirit thousands of our young people will go to the altars of many parishes and missions for the Nationwide Corporate Communion on April 18th, 1948.

PLAN! gives suggestions for groups and individual study previous to the Nationwide Corporate Communion Service. Obtainable also are suggestions for a 'service of preparation'—and invitation cards.

Diocesan Youth Convention

The annual Youth Convention of our diocese will be held on Saturday, May 1st at Episcopal Academy. In line with the rest of the Church, the young people have chosen to emphasize Evangelism—and are endeavoring through their program to interpret and thus make real, and meaningful, their own theme—"To Know the Christ,—To Make Him Known!"

Both Bishop Hart and Bishop Remington will take part in the program and the Rev. James A. Pike, rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, New York, will be the guest speaker. Other leaders will be the Rev. Messrs. Van der Hiel, Judd, Young, Sturgis, Gilbert.

The Convention will open at 1:30 p.m. with registration followed by a general meeting, group discussions, business session and supper. A dance will follow supper and the convention will close with a service of worship in the Chapel.

It is hoped that every parish will be represented at this annual Youth Convention.

FOR CLERGY CALENDARS

May 1st	— Youth Convention — Episcopal Academy
23rd	— Presentation Service Episcopal Academy
June 8th	— Bishop Hart's Conference on Christian Education—Episcopal Academy. Rev. Robert A. Brown, National Dept. Christian Education.

In the Diocese

A Lenten Quiet Day for the women of the Convocation of West Philadelphia was held at St. James Church, Hestonville. The Rev. David Holmes conducted the meditations.

Mrs. Harold Austin spoke on Christian Social Relations to the women of St. James Church, Downingtown, and Church of the Trinity, Coatesville, at a joint meeting held during lent in the latter parish.

The Rev. John M. Groton, of the Faculty of the Philadelphia Divinity School, spoke at a meeting of the Men's Club of St. James Church, Downingtown, during Lent on the Bible.

All Saints' Church, Crescentville, is selling "shares" at \$1.00 each to provide adequate transportation through busses "so that children may be brought to Christ through the Church School."

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Church School of the Holy Comforter, Aronimink, holds quarterly meetings. The speaker recently was the Rev. John R. Hart, of the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge.

A recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Medical Missionary Society was held in the parish house of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rosemont, when Dr. Kenneth Munro Scott spoke on "What the War Taught Me in China."

Miss Retta D. Fritz has been elected Diocesan Directress of the Junior Order of the Daughters of the King.

The Vestry of the Church of the Messiah has had the Creston and Large Streets sides of the church grounds graded and enclosed with an ornamental fence. It is hoped that building conditions will soon improve sufficiently to permit erection of a rectory on the grounds facing Comley Street.

Mrs. E. L. Sanford 11, was the speaker at the recent meeting of the Rectory Club. Her subject was "Spiritual Therapy." The next meeting will be held on May 13th, when an election of officers will be held. The Rectory Club is for wives of clergy in the Diocese. All are most welcome, and are cordially urged to attend.

At Emmanuel Church, Quakertown, the Men's Club has purchased new vestments for the choir, and the Women's Guild has provided new kneeling pads for the church.

The seating capacity of St. Faith's Church, Brookline, has been increased

30%—accommodating 120 persons in the congregation. Choir rooms formerly in the rear of the church have been removed. Six steel cabinets have been purchased for choir vestments, and placed in the parish house.

A Children's Lenten Mission was held on Saturday mornings at St. Clement's Church, from 9 to 12 each week. Mass was said at 9.30, both preceded and followed by instruction. There were games, and movies, and a catechism rehearsal. Hymns were used and there was a course of explanation and devotional suggestions during the celebration.

The Women's Service Club, Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, gave a Valentine Party to the guests of the Harrison Home. Mrs. William Kent was the reader, and Mrs. Alfred M. Gray was in charge of the music.

Under the auspices of the Worship Committee of the Y. P. F. of the Diocese, on the evening of March 7th, a Lenten worship service was held at St. Mark's Church, 1625 Locust Street, consisting of hymns, litany and meditation, conducted by the Rev. Philip Fifer.

Bishop Remington conducted a preaching mission at St. Mary's Church, Baltimore, from February 8th to 13th.

Mrs. John Carroll, after 14 years of service, has resigned as superintendent of the Lower School of the Church School of the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, and has been succeeded by Miss Jane Ball.

Mr. Owen Brooke Rhoads has been elected to the vestry of St. David's Church, Radnor, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Edward F. Beale.

At St. Asaph's Church, Bala, two identical services are held on Palm Sunday and Easter Day, one at 10.30, the other at 11.30. The younger married people of this parish have recently formed an organization for those who are interested in such a group.

The Rev. George L. Gibbs, has resigned as Vicar of Ascension Mission, Rhawnhurst, and retired from active work in the Ministry. His address is 1717 Stanwood Street, Philadelphia 15. The Rev. Albert F. Fischer, rector of St. Mark's Church, Frankford, will have the oversight of the work at Rhawnhurst.

Before and after the noon-day service on Wednesday, luncheon is served in Christ Church Neighborhood House. There is also a Coffee Hour each Sunday at 12:15. On Wednesdays and Saints' Days there is a service of Holy Communion at 11.45 a. m. On Thursday evenings at 8, there is a service of Litany, followed by moving pictures of stories of the Bible.

Mrs. Oliver J. Hart addressed the women of the Church of Our Saviour, Jenkintown, under the auspices of the Auxiliary-Guild, following a service of Holy Communion, on March 2nd.

The Glee Club of the University of Pennsylvania recently sang four numbers at a Sunday evening service at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown. Following the service the Glee Club gave a twenty minute program of secular music in the parish house.

The Rev. William H. Dunphy, rector of St. Mark's Church, is now the editor of "*The Anglican*," a quarterly news letter of the American Branch of the Anglican Society.

The schedule of daily intercessions at Evening Prayer (6 p.m.) at the Church of St. James the Less, Falls of Schuylkill, is as follows: Monday, for our country; Tuesday, for the peace of the world; Wednesday, for our family and friends; Thursday, in thanksgiving to God; Friday, for the conversion of the world; Saturday, for all the people of the parish.

At the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, interiors of the buildings have been redecorated.

At the Church of the Advocate, St. Dunstan's Choir will render choral evensong on Wednesday, April 14th. The annual service of the Sons of St. George will be held here Sunday, April 25th, at 4 p.m.

Growing out of a very successful Christmas party for the guests of the Old Ladies' Home at Wissinoming, the Young People's Fellowship of the Church of the Messiah, Roosevelt Boulevard and Large Street, now makes monthly visits to that Home. One month the members serve as a choir during the Sunday service; the next month they go on Saturday and supply some kind of entertainment.

Mrs. George Trowbridge, of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, was a teacher in a four-weeks school conducted by the Department of Christian Education of the Diocese of Delaware at the cathedral in Wilmington.

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ST. MARGARET'S HOUSE

"St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 44. Telephone Victor 4-4612. Quiet Evening, Saturday, May 8th, from 4:30 to 9:00. Conductor: the Rev. William I. Edwards. Eastertide Quiet Day, Thursday, May 13. Holy Eucharist, at 8:30 a.m. Meditations 10:15 a.m., 12:00 n. and 2:00 p.m. Closing at 3:15 p.m. Conductor: the Rev. Francis W. Voelcker. Please register early with the Sister-in-Charge."

Sweet Briar Announces

By the Rev. J. Clemens Kolb



The Very Rev. Robert M. Hatch

On my desk is a pale blue flyer, telling me that there is going to be a summer conference at Sweet Briar. If you have one of these flyers, please don't throw it away. There's too much good news behind this prosaic announcement.

Sweet Briar Conference is our conference. It is the official conference of the Third Province of the Church. That means us, along with the other dioceses in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Washington, Virginia and West Virginia. The President is Bishop Dun, of Washington, and quiet a few right in this diocese are members of the Board.

GALILEE MISSION ANNIVERSARY



Mr. George W. Wilkins, Superintendent; Dr. Charles E. Tuke, President of the Board; and the Hon. Bernard Samuel, Mayor of Philadelphia in the Chapel of the Galilee Mission, 821-23 Vine Street. Mayor Samuel was the principal speaker at the Fifty-first Anniversary of the founding of the Mission. Others who participated in the program included the Rev. Allen Evans, Rev. John C. Roak, Rev. Alfred Price, Rev. William B. Stimson.

The date is June 14th to 25th. The place, Sweet Briar, Virginia. The cost, forty-eight dollars including registration. That means such board, room, creature comfort and charming surroundings as you would not get on an eleven-day vacation for twice or three times that amount.

There is an excellent faculty, headed by Dean Hatch, of St. John's Cathedral, Wilmington, Delaware, and including the Rev. Frederick J. Warnecke, the Rev. Jesse Trotter, the Rev. Robert A. Magill, the Rev. W. Leigh Ribble, the Rev. Cornelius C. Tarplee and the Rev. Daniel Corrigan. The theme for this year, "The Gospel in the Gospels." I have been to conferences, sometimes unpretentious little conferences that didn't promise much on paper, sometimes conferences that everyone knew about; but whether unpretentious or on the grand scale, I have found that value of living in a Christian civilization, even for a few days. There is a vision in it; there is a power of conversion in it. I used to send as many of my people as I could to conferences. I found it made a difference. They went away good people, but they came back Christians. And that is a lot better. Again and again, something was added there that you couldn't quite put your finger on, but it made a lot of difference.

This well-prepared and excellent Sweet Briar Conference comes around for the tenth time. I hope that rectors who have church school teachers, particularly those teaching any kind of Bible course, or leaders or potential leaders in their parishes will start right now making plans to send as many delegates from their parishes as they can to Sweet Briar. I warrant those people would come back with newer and richer lives, to the spiritual enrichment of the whole parish.

WHERE CONVOCATIONS WILL MEET

Dates and locations for the spring meetings of the various Convocations are as follows: May 11, North Philadelphia, St. Paul's Aramingo; May 13, West Philadelphia, St. Barnabas, Haddington; May 18, Germantown, Incarnation, Morrisville; May 20, Chester (Women), Holy Trinity, West Chester; May 25, South Philadelphia, Prince of Peace; May 25, Chester (Men), Trinity, Coatesville; May 27, Norristown, St. Paul's, Elkins Park.

NEW ACTIVITIES FOR MAIN LINE TEACHERS

The Main Line Church School Teachers Association held their mid-winter meeting on February 23 at St. John's Church, Cynwyd, Pennsylvania. The meeting was attended by 80 representatives of the various Church Schools in the area.

At the business meeting the member Church Schools were asked to make suggestions to the Association so that the meetings could be improved and the services of the Association to the schools made more extensive. The resignation of Mr. David Seabolt as secretary treasurer of the Association was accepted with regret, and Mr. Seabolt is going to leave the Diocese and take up work in the Diocese of Kansas. Mr. Harold Hennessey of Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, was elected secretary treasurer of the Association in his place. The spring meeting of the Association will be held at Old St. Davids, the date to be determined later.

The Association has an active executive committee composed of ten clergy and lay people from the churches represented. This executive committee has met to consider the program of the Association and will meet in the near future to determine activities and policies other than the three regular meetings. Some of the proposed activities of the organization will include teacher training, material selection, pre-school training, and weekly religious training. A program of expansion is going to be launched to bring into active participation any Church Schools who have dropped out over the past several years. To effect this the program of the Association will be stepped up and more publicity broadcast of the activities both present and future. Standing committees will be organized to handle the various phases of our work.

It was decided that the mid-year meeting will hereafter be held at least two weeks before Lent so that the Lenten Program and material may be developed, and the Spring Meeting will be devoted primarily to suggested programs, curriculum, and material for the next Church School Year.

The Rev. James Rice of St. Paul's West Whiteland moved that the Association appoint a committee to study the problem of organizing weekday pre-school classes in the Parish Houses of our Church so that the education of our children may be more complete and profitable than may be possible by the

limitations of a typical church school program.

THE MAY FETE EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL

At long last, April is here, and in a few days, namely, on April 7th, many of us will be on our way out to White-marsh, to attend the Card Party at the home of Mrs. Robert Toland, Church Road and Bethlehem Pike. I trust you have all made your reservations, and this is a little reminder lest the cold winds of February and March made you hesitate. Our interest in the May Fete, which is to be held on the grounds of the Episcopal Hospital on May 26th, will be all the greater when we realize that by spending this pleasant afternoon in the country we have aided in raising a fund which will enable the Chairman, Mrs. Toland, to defray the expenses of the Fete. The tables will be \$5.00, and you are asked to bring playing cards. Mrs. J. Hector McNeal, Chairman of Publicity, Episcopal Hospital Unit 2, Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service. (Mail, 805 Real Estate Trust Building).

FOURTH ANNUAL CORPORATE COMMUNION FOR WOMEN

The Annual Corporate Communion and Breakfast for all the Women of the Diocese on the Feast of the Annunciation, April 5th, will be held at Christ Church, 2nd & Market Streets at 8:00 a.m. Bishop Hart will celebrate assisted by Bishop Remington. The Rev. Samuel M. Shoemaker will be the speaker at the Breakfast immediately following in the



Rev. Samuel M. Shoemaker

Parish House. Dr. Shoemaker is the author of the Presiding Bishop's Book for Lent. "Revive Thy Church Beginning With Me." Please make reservations for the Breakfast at the Woman's Auxiliary Office, Church House, not later than April 1st.

EPISCOPAL ACADEMY NOTES

A Corporate Communion Service marked the beginning of Lent at the Episcopal Academy. The Rev. Elbert K. St. Claire, Chaplain, conducted the service assisted by the Rev. Richard T. Lyford who teaches in the School Sacred Studies Department. The Academy conducted an intensive campaign for World Relief during Lent by way of sacrificial giving. Students from the Academy participated in a radio program about the school over station WDAS.

The Rev. Charles S. Martin, former Chaplain and Assistant Headmaster of Episcopal, will deliver the sermon at the Twenty-sixth Annual Academy Service, April 25th, at the Church of Redeemer, Bryn Mawr.

Mr. Orus J. Matthews, Secretary of Commerce of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Charles R. Joy, Executive Secretary of the Save the Children Federation, recently addressed the student body. Dr. Miles Murphy, prominent psychologist from the University of Pennsylvania, spoke to an audience of one hundred and twenty people, mostly parents of students.

Dr. D. Stewart Polk, the Academy Physician, has just been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Academy. Dr. Polk is a prominent pediatrician and is also active in the Lower Merion Township Board of Health.

The Academy's basketball team, under the coaching of Andrew Knox, Class of '42, is leading the Inter-academic League, having won the first round of the League competition. John Cable, Class of '48, is Captain of the team. The wrestling team, captained by C. M. Shaw, Jr., Class of '48, has done very well to date, as has the squash team, captained by John F. Hentz, Class of '48. It is hoped that the squash team will win its fourth consecutive Inter-Academic League championship.

NEEDED: The Episcopal Academy needs Hymnals (1916 Edition) and Prayer Books. Any Parish having these books to sell will please telephone the Episcopal Academy, Merion 2000. These books are used five times a week in the daily Chapel services.

Philadelphia Divinity School

The Rev. John M. Groton, after ten years service with the Philadelphia Divinity School, for reasons of ill health, has presented his resignation, which has been accepted with great regret. He expects to return to his home in Westerly, R. I., and will be available for some parochial duty.

The Rev. Thomas A. M. Barnett has been elected to serve as Instructor in Hebrew and Biblical Studies next fall in place of Dr. Groton. He is a graduate of Wycliff College and University College, Toronto, and took first class honors there in the department of Oriental Languages. He has majored in Hebrew, Assyrian, Arabic, and Oriental History, and the Archaeology of the Near East. Yale University awarded him a fellowship in the Department of Oriental Languages, and he is about to complete the requirements for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. In addition to his graduate studies, he has had parochial experience at St. Paul's Church, New Haven, Conn.

Recent special preachers at Evensong on Thursdays have included: the Rev. Messers S. Tagart Steele, E. Frank Salmon, J. Gillespie Armstrong, Francis Allison, John M. Groton, Frederick M. Adams, George A. Trowbridge, Canon Cyril E. Hudson, W. Hamilton Aulbach, Randall W. Conklin.

The Rev. Canon C. E. Hudson, of St. Alban's, England, in addressing the mid-winter meeting of the Associate Alumni of the Philadelphia Divinity School, described the method of selecting candidates and training them for Holy Orders in England.

Those who feel they are called to

the Ministry are referred to a central advisory council, who arrange for conferences, lasting for three days, where about 25 candidates live in worship and fellowship with 5 selectors (4 clergymen, 1 layman) who consider the scholastic qualifications of each man, the development of his devotional and spiritual capacities, his ability to get along with people. Less than half of those interviewed are recommended for further training. If the candidate is advised not to proceed, he avoids wasting his time and experiencing subsequent disappointment. If he is recommended, he can feel that his own interior vocation is confirmed and approved by the Church.

The candidate is then guided through his studies in university and theological college. These theological colleges, of which there are about 25, are under the constant inspection of representatives of the advisory council. There is also a post-ordination training period lasting from three to five years, during which time the young clergymen make periodic visits to training centers, where they present essays and discuss the courses of study which they continue to follow.

This system is not limited to diocesan units; but is on a nation-wide basis. Candidates are selected by the whole Church, and after training and ordination are assigned to posts wherever in the Church they are most needed and can work most effectively.

G. F. S. Is Sending Teacher

TO YUN-KWEI, CHINA

During the recent meeting of the General Convention of the Church, many Philadelphians had the pleasure of meeting Bishop and Mrs. Huang, then recently appointed to the new District of Yun-Kwei in southwestern China, to which so many millions of Chinese had trekked when eastern China was taken over by the Japanese, beginning in 1937 and continuing throughout the War. Many G.I.s were familiar with it because it is at the end of the Burma Road.

When the subject of the 1948 Mission Object was taken up by the Na-

tional Board of Directors of the Girls' Friendly Society, it was felt that the girls would like to work for a foreign field, where so much is needed and where so little is available. The G.F.S. Trailer, which had been the Mission Object for several years, has become an accomplished fact, bringing the Church, and with it the G.F.S. to rural United States, and a change was deemed advisable. So, after having heard Bishop Huang's message at General Convention, it was decided to put our efforts in his keeping, and one of his greatest needs is teachers for the young Chinese



Miss Violet Phinney

students who flock to the two Universities in the District.

Violet Phinney, a former G.F.S. member and leader from the Diocese of Massachusetts, who has had a broad foundation for this work as Counsellor at the G.F.S. Holiday House in the Newark, N. J., Diocese, college and secretarial training, employment by the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, has expressed a desire to go to far away Yun-Kwei as the emissary of the G.F.S., to teach English to the young students in one of its Universities. She is at present taking a course in teaching our language to the foreign born. Violet Phinney, always ready for any active sport, full of enthusiasm and ideas for new activities, and a most sympathetic and helpful friend, will bring to her work a spirit of contagious Christianity which will attract and instill itself into her Chinese students.

\$2000. is the goal of the G.F.S. throughout the country and Pennsylvania will not lag in sending its share, wishing Miss Phinney all success and happiness in her work in this young Missionary District of Yun-Kwei under the vital leadership of its gracious benjamin of Bishops.

At the Annual Service for Junior Members, to be held at St. David's, Manayunk on Saturday, April 24th at 2:30, the Senior Club will award prizes and honors for the work submitted in its thirty-sixth Annual Contest. The youngest members are encouraged to enter in this contest their own best work on the subjects presented, which this

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MISS GLADYS SHREINER REPORTS FROM ALASKA

Early this year Miss Gladys Shreiner, a member of St. Barnabas Church, Haddington, and a graduate of the School of Nursing of the Episcopal Hospital, packed up and left for St. Mark's Mission, Nanana, Alaska. We print herewith some excerpts from a letter written by her on February 11th:

This week more of my time is being devoted to my 'chosen work' than previously. Miss Brower (the other nurse) is in Fairbanks with seven of the children having them X-rayed and attending to various other medical affairs. I have been doing home visiting amongst the natives and other people of Nanana and today has proven to be a red letter day.

We begin our day with a short chapel service at 7:30 a. m. Then on to breakfast. Today was not my day to prepare breakfast—that means I could sleep until 7 a. m. instead of rising at 5:45 a. m. After breakfast I prepared as much of the dinner as possible before going out to make a few home visits at 10:30 a. m. There was a service at 11 a. m. today being Ash Wednesday, however. I wasn't able to attend because I didn't get back from my rounds until 12 noon—dinner time. After dinner with the help of five girls I washed bed clothes—try doing this for forty people—does it sound like a lot? I thought so too the first day I did it but once a system is worked out 2½ hours is ample time for the job. I had six dispensary patients come when the spirit moved them—it seems strange to administer and dispense drugs just on my own especially those labeled "To be used only on advise of a physician."

At about 4:30 p. m., when I thought I was through for the day, a call rang out for Miss Shreiner. A plane was making a forced landing with a sick man aboard. The plane was coming from Cut Off and on its way to Fairbanks to the hospital. Weather condition was responsible for the forced landing. The young man (20-24 years old) named "Q" a full blooded Indian was brought to the mission at 4:45 p. m. in a very weakened condition—he presented problems—believe me. He couldn't talk or open his mouth and was breathing with great difficulty. He hadn't eaten or slept for three days; his blood pressure was on 90-60; his temperature 101.6.

I did as much of a physical examination as I could. Luckily another man from Cut Off was along so I was able



Inquirer Photo

Miss Shreiner

to get a good history of his illness—its onset and some symptoms. A dozen possible diagnoses flooded into my head so by process of elimination and the help of text books I thought more strongly in favor of a peritonissiler abscess. I gave him an intravenous of 1000cc normal salt solution with 5% Dextrose for his dehydration (this was the last of our intravenous solution). I gave him warm mouth douches with

a rubber hose. I was tempted to give him Plasma but since our supply is so low and I wasn't sure that it would benefit him very much I decided to wait.

Finally after much anxiety on my part and much trying on the part of the R. R. station master I was able to contact by telephone Capt. O'Conner, an army doctor visiting in Fairbanks. I explained what I had found (symptoms etc.) told what I had done and said what I thought was the trouble—to my happy surprise the doctor thought I was on the right trail. He told me to give the plasma and to give 300,000 units of penicillin and a tea and sugar retention enema.

By midnight he seemed to be resting more easily and his temperature was down to 99.6.

It is now 1.30 a. m. Thursday—I was just in looking after him—he is still getting the intravenous of plasma. I gave him another mouth douche. For the first time in three days he has spoken—"I can swallow." I can't express my joy when I heard him. He is now drinking a cup of tea—his first food in three days.

I never before so vividly felt God's hand guiding me as he did today in caring for this man.

Successful Historical Exhibit



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Pictured here are Bishop Remington, Canon Hudson, and Bishop Hart, exploring the Historical exhibit of Episcopal documents, books, pictures, publications, and curios at the Free Library of Philadelphia, 19th and Vine Streets, during the first two weeks in March. The exhibit attracted a continuous stream of visitors. Many groups made pilgrim-

ages to the exhibit as an educational project. Officials of the Library were greatly pleased with the effectiveness of the undertaking. The Diocesan Department of Christian Education sponsored the exhibit. The Rev. J. Wesley Twelves undertook all the arrangements and was given the utmost cooperation by Library personnel and exhibitors who loaned their treasures for the display.

IN GOD'S KEEPING

Mr. Thomas Strawn, who died January 14th, served for a long time as Warden, and in later years as both Warden and Treasurer of Emmanuel Church, Quakertown. He was a loyal member of the Church and faithful in the performance of his official duties.

Mr. John P. Herron, who died on February 1st, was for some thirty years treasurer of the Bible Class of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, a loyal and devoted member of the parish, and active in the affairs of his community.

Dr. Mary Brown, a graduate of the Woman's Medical College, who died February 5th at the age of 86, was one of the founders of Trinity Church, Swarthmore, where her family lived when this church was started some fifty years ago. She had also helped to support the Church Farm School, and had been most generous to the Church of the Holy Comforter, Aronimink.

Mr. George Frederick Davis, father of the Rev. Reginald G. Davis, rector of the Church of our Saviour, Jenkintown, was buried from that Church on February 9th.

Dr. Arthur W. Watson, sometime associated with the medical staff of the Episcopal Hospital, died on February 17th, aged 89 years.

Dr. Warren Powers Laird, a vestryman of the Memorial Church of St. Paul, Overbrook, and of the Board of Overseers of the Philadelphia Divinity School, died February 18th at the age of 86. He was a famous architect, and first dean of the School of Fine Arts, U. of P. He was chairman of the Church Building Commission of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, in which capacity he rendered wide service as a consultant and planner of church buildings. Burial services were held at the Church of the Holy Trinity on February 21st.

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year are a composition or poster in line with the National G.F.S. Program Material "Junior Girls Around the World," telling or showing their original ideas about their sisters in far-away lands. The composition or poster work sometimes covers Diocesan Institutions or other fields of interest to the Church. Always juniors may enter needlework or handicraft items which they have made in their group meetings. Thus the Senior Club endeavors to have the young people express their interest, originality and enthusiasm for current topics of Church and community, and to en-

courage the spirit of competition.

As announced in March, the Annual Service for Senior Members will be at St. Timothy's, Roxborough, on April 29th. Supper will be served by the Hostess Branch, followed by the Church service at 8 P.M. when it is expected the speaker will come from a missionary field.

Once again Mrs. Winthrop C. Neilson has invited the G.F.S. to hold its Spring outdoor day at her lovely home in Gladwynne, Pa. The exact date in May will be announced in next month's News. Everyone is happy in anticipation, remembering the delightful days spent there in former years!

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Supplementing its regular March program of weekly addresses, the Churchwoman's Club had the pleasure of again sponsoring a series of three lectures by J. Duncan Spaeth, Professor Emeritus of Princeton University, in discussions of the poems of Keats, Shelley and Wordsworth, in relation to the general theme of "The Permanence of Poetry in a Changing World."

The April program reflects the spirit of the season—a blossoming of many new plans, with a Musical Tea on April 6th being the first event. Mrs. William P. Remington, who although assisted by other artists, will herself add to the enjoyment of the occasion by the rendition of several solo numbers. Supper will be served at 6:30 P. M., following the tea, and there will be no special program in the evening.

On April 14th, the last of the Club's seasonal card parties should fill all the available tables, since it is open to all members and their guests. Mrs. David Pierson 3rd, the hostess for this affair, announces that home-made candies and cakes will be on sale, and "donations" will be used to augment the Fuel Fund.

Programs in the hands of members detail the usual Tuesday teas at 4:00

P. M., with supper at 6:30, and speaker or other entertainment at 7:15 P. M. Significant to the purpose and life of the Club, is the Annual Service scheduled for April 27th, being arranged by Mrs. William Ashley Mowrer, when the members will attend corporate worship.

To satisfy the spring "wanderlust"—and these excursions have proven most popular—tentative arrangements have been made for a one-day sight-seeing trip to New York on Saturday, April 10th. The itinerary will include a visit to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, with a possible short service. Members interested should contact Mrs. Thomas N. Walker immediately, as there is a dead-line on the acceptance of reservations.

A more extended trip, which will be in fact the Club's Annual Spring Pilgrimage, is also being considered for April, and will embrace a three-day tour of historic and scenic points in Virginia. The schedule, although not yet completed, would take the members to Richmond, Williamsburg, Charlottesville, and over the famed Sky-Line Drive, leaving Philadelphia probably on Friday, April 23rd, and returning Sunday, April 25th. Special reduced transportation, hotel and meal rates will be made

available for both trips.

Again, immediate contact with Mrs. Walker, by those members planning to join either of these parties, is urgently necessary.

BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW

The Washington's Birthday Corporate Communion on February 21, 1948, was held at St. Mark's Church, Locust near 16th Street. It was probably the best we have had in the past twenty years. The attendance at the Church was 375. The Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, D.D., S.T.D., Suffragan Bishop was the celebrant assisted by the Rev. John H. A. Bomberger, D.D., Chaplain of our Brotherhood and by Rev. William H. Dunphy, Ph.D., Rector of St. Mark's and Rev. Francis W. Voelcker, B.D. and Rev. James William Rice, two of the most recently ordained clergymen, who also assisted. The music was conducted by St. Mark's Boys' Choir and the whole service was very beautiful and impressive.

The Breakfast was served at the House of Colonial Dames nearby. Mr. Percival H. Granger, National Council Member and former President of the Pennsylvania Diocesan Assembly was the principal speaker.

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Eighty-five women and girls attended a recent corporate communion arranged for them at the Church of the Redeemer, Springfield. Breakfast which followed was served by men of the parish.

The Girls' Friendly Society of St. Barnabas Church, Haddington, recently had an amature "Movie" night, when everybody was invited to bring moving picture film showing church or family activities, to be exhibited for the entertainment of members of the parish.

The young people of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, met on a recent Sunday afternoon for a service of worship in the Church, followed by a journey to Wissahickon, where they went on a sleigh-ride to Valley Green, returning to the Parish House for refreshments.

On five Wednesday mornings during Lent, a series of studies on "Our Responsibility as Christians in the World Today" was conducted at St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill by the women of the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill, and St. Paul's Church. Sub-topics were "The Power of Christianity," "A Growing World Christian Community," "Christianity Through Service," "Christian Citizenship," and "Christian Youth."

St. Alban's Church, Newtown Square, is cooperating with other nearby churches to furnish a Sunday evening service for patients of the Convalescent Home at Broomall who are unable to

attend service in the churches.

An item in the budget of the Huntingdon Valley Chapel—"Church School and Publications," includes subscriptions for THE CHURCH NEWS for each family connected with the Chapel.

"All Souls' News" is the name of the monthly parish paper being issued by the Rev. Otto Berg, of All Souls' Church for the Deaf, 3220 N. 16th Street. The vicar's residence has been thoroughly renovated and plans are under way for the renovation of the church building.

The Committee for the Enlargement of the Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate has recently received two post cards without signatures from two members of the Philadelphia clergy. It has no means of tracing the writers.

When Mr. Frederick B. Sponsler resigned as director and organist of St. Paul's Church, Chester, the choir of that parish presented him with a set of records of the Robertshaw choir's B Minor Mass by Bach. The vestry also made him a gift of a desk set. Mr. Sponsler has specialized in the field of boy choir training and was associated for many years with St. Peter's Church,

Philadelphia. He goes as organist and choirmaster to St. Paul's Church, Westfield and Trinity Church, Cranford, N. J. He also serves in the Church of the Redeemer, Longport, in the summer.

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The Vestry elected Mr. Horace E. Ruth to be Secretary, and Mr. William T. Watson to be Accounting Warden. The rector appointed Mr. Joseph H. Carroll, who has served as Rector's Warden for the past 10 years to be Rector's Warden Emeritus, and Mr. Thomas R. Bell to be Rector's Warden.

BEQUESTS, GIFTS, MEMORIALS

The Home of the Merciful Saviour is mentioned as a beneficiary in the wills of Miss Elizabeth Rabenau, who died June 15, 1947; Mr. George C. Berger, who died January 19, 1948; and Mrs. Josephine Maene, who died January 22nd.

The late Mrs. Emma Ulrick Bertolet made bequests of \$1,000 each to the Home of the Merciful Saviour and the House of Rest, and \$300 to the Church of the Resurrection, Broad & Tioga Streets, for memorial flowers.

The Sheltering Arms and the City Mission were listed among institutions to share in the estate of the late Justus S. Brunner, who died in 1919.

Miss Ann C. Ross, who died February 14th, left \$10,000 to the Church of St. Martin-in-the Field.

At the Church of the Advent, Hatboro, a set of Altar Vases has been given by Dr. and Mrs. Paul R. Clayton in loving memory of George Cooley, father of Mrs. Clayton. Seat cushions, hassocks, and carpet have been given to this church by Mr. Lester W. Dykeman in loving memory of his wife, Katherine Warner Dykeman. This gift also provided for refinishing all floors.

Mrs. Edward Neilson has presented the Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli, with a private Communion Set in memory of Mr. Neilson, who gave many years of devoted service to the Church.

A violet stole in memory of Mr. Abram Ward was recently blessed by the Rev. Albert O. Judd, rector of Christ Church, Ridley Park.

New hangings have been given for the gallery of St. James Church, Kingsessing, in memory of James E. Perry, who lost his life in the European Theatre, World War II. A memorial board for the north transept of the same Church has been given in memory of James D. Murphy, Jr.

A processional cross, in loving memory of Thomas Strawn, was presented to Emmanuel Church, Quakertown, by the Men's Club of the Church, and dedicated on Palm Sunday.

On March 7th, at St. Stephen's Church, there was dedicated a marble-relief portrait 8 ft. high, of the Rev. Carl Eckhardt Grammer, who served as the sixth rector of this parish from 1905 to 1936 (Emeritus 1936-1944).

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